

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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For:	FEMORAL HIP PROSTHESIS AND METHOD OF)	
	IMPLANTATION)	
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Examiner:	Bruce E. Snow)	

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Assistant Commissioner
For Patents
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Dear Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action mailed on March 22, 2006. Payment for a two-month extension of time is transmitted herewith. The Patent and Trademark Office is authorized to charge or credit any deficiencies or overpayments in this case to Deposit Account No. 50-3352. In response to the Office Action, please amend the above-referenced application as follows: